UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 9-29-64

FROM : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF WARREN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

We have reviewed the attached memorandum of 9-28-64 to the Acting Attorney General Katzenbach from Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon and its enclosures consisting of Secret Service Planning Document of 8-27-64 and a copy of Dillon's letter of 8-31-64 transmitting it to the Bureau of the Budget. On 9-28-64 Katzenbach asked us to look over this material and flag any items appearing questionable on their face in anticipation of a meeting of the President's Committee relative to the implementation of the Warren Commission recommendation, to be held 11 a.m., 9-29-64.

On enclosed memorandum Belmont to Tolson dated 9-28-64 reporting Katzenbach's request the Director noted: "O.K. I want to indicate we must be relieved of furnishing Agent personnel as our own burdens have more than tripled." H

The Secret Service document is captioned "Plan to Meet Requirements for Expanded Protection of the President and the Vice President of the United States." It provides for additional manpower (totaling 205 Agents, 5 technicians and 50 clerks), additional equipment, research and other support; will take about twenty months to implement; and will require expenditure of approximately $3,000,000 during that period.

Secret Service points out that while it has made changes in procedure and reorganized some internal operations since the assassination of President Kennedy, it believes these are not enough and that it is vital to take immediate action to improve its capabilities and performance in a number of areas. It states that expansion of facilities in the Protective Research Section (PRS) will require additional manpower; to insure technical security of locations used by the President; make surveys in advance of Presidential trips; provide 24-hour coverage in PRS; design an automated records system in PRS; and create a group of 5 Agents

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to maintain personal liaison with other agencies at the Seat of Government. The plans also include additional Agents for field offices and calls for expansion and improvement of training facilities including development of a new training facility at Beltsville, Maryland.

Technical and protective equipment and aids proposed include body protection equipment, intrusion detection and emergency lighting systems at the White House, and 101 new automobiles with two-way radio equipment.

OBSERVATIONS:

There is nothing objectionable from the Bureau's standpoint in the Secret Service planning document. Of particular interest it is pointed out on pages 11 and 11a that the Secret Service, by necessity, has had to call on other Federal law enforcement agencies for help to assist in protection of the President. The Secret Service comments that requests from other agencies should be kept to a minimum both because it puts a strain on their resources and because the Secret Service agents, because of their specialized training, are better qualified to perform protective duties. Inasmuch as this document involves Secret Service internal planning, it is not felt that we should comment on each item therein.

ACTION:

Enclosed is a memorandum for the Acting Attorney General in line with the above observations.

W.C.S.

I haven't the time to read 26 pages. Give me a summary on this document.